

Dear Premier:

I am writing further to my letter to you on February 15, 2022, outlining the decision by the Government of Canada to declare a public order emergency under the *Emergencies Act* to protect Canadians and to safeguard our economy. I appreciate the views you and your government have shared with me, my ministers and senior officials.

I would like to inform you that, following careful consideration and an assessment of current circumstances, the Government of Canada decided on February 23, 2022 to revoke the declaration of a public order emergency, and the related order and regulation, under the *Emergencies Act*.

The use of the *Emergencies Act* was always intended to be time-limited, targeted, and proportionate to deal directly with the situation at hand. The *Emergencies Act* has provided additional tools to law enforcement to restore public order by helping to set up a secured area in Ottawa, stopping the financing of illegal blockades, and helping to ensure our borders remain open.

The *Emergencies Act* has strengthened and supported the work of law enforcement agencies across the country, who worked together to effectively restore peace and order. Thanks to efforts by law enforcement, it is our assessment that the current situation no longer constitutes an emergency that arises from threats to the security of Canada and that is so serious as to be a national emergency. As a result, we have taken steps to revoke the use of the *Emergencies Act* as quickly as possible. This decision was informed by law enforcement agencies, who ensured us that they now have sufficient tools at their disposal to deal with any further disruptions.

We will continue to monitor and assess this situation, in close collaboration with you, in order to keep Canadians safe.

I am forwarding, for their information, a copy of this letter to:
David Lametti, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada; Marco E. L. Mendicino, Minister of Public Safety; and Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities.

Sincerely,